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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GORCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE:—LEON DE BOSNY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK:—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GORCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO, and American Ports generally:—BRAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS:—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore, C. HEINZEL & Co., Manila.

CHINA:—MACAO, MESSRS A. A. DE MELLO & Co., SINGAPORE, CAMERON & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co., Foochow, HENDER & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KILBY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....\$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND,.....\$1,800,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS,
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—HON. W. KESWICK.

WILHELM REINHOLD, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.
H. HOFFMANN, Esq.
A. McIVER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER,
HONGKONG,.....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER,
SHANGHAI,.....EWE CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

THE AGENCY of this BANK at Foochow will be CLOSED and WITHDRAWN from 1st July next.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS and FIXED DEPOSIT RECEIPTS will be PAID there AT ONCE with INTEREST to Date, or transferred to this Branch at the Exchange of the Day at the option of Constituents.

GEO. O. SCOTT, p. Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, May 28, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....£3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND.....£800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue Brochez, PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:
LONDON, BOULBON, SAN FRANCISCO,
MARSEILLE, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,
LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND,
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking and Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

Banks.

CHARTERED MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL,.....£800,000.
RESERVE FUND,.....£150,000.

Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS,
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

Entertainment.

GARRISON THEATRE.

BY Kind Permission of His EXCELLENCY the MAJOR-GENERAL, COMMANDING, and under Patronage of LIEUT.-COL. GEDDES and OFFICERS 27th LANCER REGIMENT, the

INNISKILLING CHRISTY MINSTRELS

beg to announce to the Garrison and the Public their intention of giving two PERFORMANCES

IN THE ABOVE THEATRE, ON

MONDAY

—AND—

TUESDAY,

the 14th and 15th JULY, 1879.

For the benefit of the Widows and Orphans

CAUSED BY THE CAPE WAR.

Programme.

SONGS, COMIC SONGS, CLOG DANCE, CORNET SOLO, COMIC DUET,

"THE ZULU WARRIORS,"

NEGRO FARCE,

"OLD HUNKS."

To conclude each Evening with the PLANTATION WALK ROUND

"WHOSE DAT FOOT A BURNING."

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel GEDDES and OFFICERS, a portion of the Band of 27th Inniskillings will attend.

Prices of Admission:—
Front Seats.....One Dollar.
Second do.....50 Cents.
Third do.....25 "

Tickets can be obtained at the OFFICERS' MESS, SERGEANTS' MESS, CANTINE, R.A., and 27th Inniskillings, and at the Doors on the Nights of Performance.

Doors Open at.....8.30 p.m.
To commence at.....9.00 "

PUNKERS will be kept in motion during the Performance.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

Hongkong, July 8, 1879. j718

Intimations.

WANTED for the SAILORS' HOME, A STEWARD. Apply to the Under-

signed.

H. G. THOMSETT, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j718

WANTED, by a Young PORTUGUESE, who has some knowledge of Book-keeping, a SITUATION in a Mercantile Office. Only moderate Salary required. Address "A. C." care of Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, July 9, 1879. j718

NOTICE.

OUR OFFICE has To-day been RE-

MOVED to 5, Praya Central.

REISS & Co.

Hongkong, July 1, 1879. j718

Intimations.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS, Latest Editions.

CAVENDISH ON WHIST.

POLE'S THEORY OF WHIST.

WALKER'S CORRECT CARD.

BALBRIGGAN UNDERSHIRTS (A Novelty).

WIRE RAT TRAPS.

BULL'S EYE LANTERNS.

BULL'S EYE SPONGES.

WHITE BRO'S PORTLAND CEMENT.

LAWN TENNIS BATS, BALLS and NETS.

LAWN BOWLS, QUITS and OTHER GAMES.

Scotch Home-made JAMS and JELLIES.

PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS.

ICE PITCHERS and PAILS.

AUTOMATON UMBRELLAS.

French BOOTS and SHOES.

English BOOTS and SHOES.

CHRISTY'S BLACK and DRAB HATS.

"YOU DIRTY BOY."

CORE'S GOLDEN CLOUD TOBACCO.

American GOLDEN LEAF TOBACCO.

Well-Seasoned CIGARS.

MEERSCHAUM PIPES and CIGAR TUBES.

POCKET-KNIVES.

QUININE.

CONSTABULARY REVOLVERS.

SPIRIT LEVELS.

New Style CHIT BOOKS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, June 19, 1879.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be Held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 25th Instant, at 3.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j716

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th Instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j716

NOTICE.

SUN SHING has REMOVED to No. 62, QUEEN'S ROAD, Opposite the CHARTERED BANK.

Hongkong, June 24, 1879. j724

NOTICE.

HONGKONG COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE.

THE EXCHANGE ROOMS in MARINE HOUSE, Queen's Road Central, are Open Daily for the use of Members from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Special Days—TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, from 12 to 12.30 and 4 to 4.30 p.m.

Applications for admission as Members to be addressed to

E. GEORGE, Secretary.

Hongkong, June 19, 1879.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Thirteenth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be Held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 31st Instant, at 2.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of declaring dividends.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order,
W. H. BAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 8, 1879. j731

BILLIARDS! BILLIARDS!

S. W. STANLEY, who is now in Hongkong, where he will remain about Two WEEKS, will give Lessons in Billiards, and is open to give Private Entertainments. For Terms, apply at the HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, July 5, 1879. j718

THE Underigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for Hongkong and China for the Sale of their LEAD by the MESSIAHINE MINING SOCIETY.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, June 27, 1879. j727

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th Proximo, both days inclusive.

A. NEWTON, Manager.

Hongkong, June 19, 1879. j710

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

UNDER Section 55 of the ARTICLES of ASSOCIATION, the General Agents with the approval of the Consulting Committee have DECLARED an INTERIM BONUS and DIVIDEND, of 25% on Contributions and \$262 per Share, respectively, on account of the year 1878.

Warrants will be issued on TUESDAY, the 8th Instant.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, July 5, 1879. j714

NOTICE.

AT A MEETING of the CONSULTING COMMITTEE of the HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and the DIRECTORS of the CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY Held on the 20th Instant, the following Resolution was carried unanimously:—

"It is agreed between the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company and the China Fire Insurance Company, that on and after the 1st JULY Proximo, a CASH DISCOUNT OF 20 PER CENT. be allowed upon all Premiums, whether Contributed by SHAREHOLDERS or NOT, in lieu of the ANNUAL BONUS hitherto declared after the Closing of each Year's Accounts."

By Order,
For the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited,
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

For the China Fire Insurance Co., Limited,
JAMES B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, June 26, 1879.

HONGKONG HUMANE SOCIETY.

VOLUNTEERS are earnestly requested to ENROLL themselves on the LIST of the above named Society, as the TYFHOON SEASON is at hand, and more Working Members are necessary.

Kindly send Name and Address to the HONORARY SECRETARY.

Blue Serge Shirt, Helmet, and Life Belt supplied Free of Charge.

P. H. EMANUEL, Hon. Secretary, Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, July 2, 1879. j710

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

A NINTS RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TABLES per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 9th July, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th July.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Underigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 18th July, inclusive.

By Order,
RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

Shanghai, July 1, 1879. j710

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st JULY, 1879, our Business in Hongkong will be CONDUCTED under the Firm or Style of NORONHA & Co., and at Shanghai under that of NORONHA & SONS.

MR. A. J. NORONHA is authorised to Sign our Firm in Hongkong per Procuration.

NORONHA & SONS.

Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j718

NOTICE.

THE Underigned has established himself at the Premises formerly occupied by LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co., Peddar's Wharf, as

AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER AND COMMISSION AGENT.

ALL GOODS entrusted for SALE will be fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. R. LAMBERT, Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "AMAZONE," Commandant LORMIER, will be despatched for SHANGHAI TO-MORROW, the 10th Inst., at 8 a.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, July 9, 1879. j710

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "MENMUIR,"

will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 10th Inst., at Noon, instead of date previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 8, 1879. j710

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "SOMERSET,"

will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 12th Inst., at 5 p.m.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from J. G. SMITH, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 11th July, 1879, at 2 p.m., at his Residence, No. 3, Blue Building, Praya East,—

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., (Mostly English-made), comprising:—English-made Walnut Drawing-room Suite covered in Crimson Damask. English-made Walnut Centre Table and Canterbury. Crimion Velvet covered Ottoman. Teak Card Tables and Side Tables. Oleographs, Ormolu Drawing-room Clock, Chimney Glasses, and Ornaments.

English-made Mahogany Telescope, Dining Table and Sideboard. English-made Mahogany Dining-room Suite covered in Maroon Morocco. Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Glass and Plated Ware. Double Brass Bedstead and Iron Bedsteads. English-made Polished Ash Bed-room Furniture, Mahogany Cheval Glass, Child's Brass Cot and Swinging Cot. One Cottage Piano by Lunan, Luback, A. Cooking Range.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Thursday, the 10th Instant. Terms of Sale.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, July 2, 1879. jy11

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract,—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY, Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz., Inland Lots Nos. 749, 781 and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILL, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON, Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong. Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

THE Undersigned begs to inform his Friends and the Public generally that he has engaged the Services of a THOROUGHLY QUALIFIED EUROPEAN ASSISTANT, who will attend solely to the DISPENSARY DEPARTMENT, hoping thereby to merit in a greater degree their Confidence and Patronage.

WM. CRUCKSHANK.

Hongkong, June 26, 1879. jy26

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIUM CONTRIBUTED, payable at our OFFICE on and after the 15th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Princess* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, July 4, 1879. jy11

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Japan*, T. S. GARDNER, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

D. SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 7, 1879. jy14

Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Yangtsé.
AME (in diamond) Nos. 16/17, Or., 20 cases T J L 37 pgs. Nuts, from London.

Ex Djennah.
L (in diamond) 416/21, 7 cases Mer'dise, H. Order, from London.
T J L 37 pgs. Nuts, from Singapore.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, July 3, 1879.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

G. C. TRUFFANT, British ship, Captain G. Thomas, Messageries Maritimes.

CELEA, British 3-m. schooner, Captain Drew, Douglas, Laprak & Co.

MONTIARA, German schooner, Captain Schindler, Siemens & Co.

CANDACE, British 3-m. schooner, Capt. Candler, Chinese.

SCOTLAND, British steamer, Capt. Wm. Atkinson, Russell & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA MACAO.

The Steamship "NINGPO," R. Cass, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports TOMORROW, the 10th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, July 8, 1879. jy10

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW.

The Steamship "KWANGTUNG," Capt. S. Ashcroft, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 13th inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARAK & Co.

Hongkong, July 9, 1879. jy13

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES; ALSO,

PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND ALL INDIA PORTS.

ON TUESDAY, the 22nd of July, 1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *DJENNAH*, Commandant DUBREUIL, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Species will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Species and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 21st of July, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, July 9, 1879. jy22

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

July 8, *Norden*, Danish steamer, 775, T. Boyesen, Saigon July 4, Rice, Siemsen & Co.

July 9, *Fuyou*, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

July 9, *Ningpo*, British steamer, from Canton.

July 9, *A. Newton*, British barque, 308, Newton, Newcastle May 12, Coal, O. & O. S. Co.

July 9, *China*, American steamer, 3836, Jno. M. Lachlan, San Francisco June 9, and Yokohama 30, Mails, General and Treasure (\$150,518.99).—P. M. S. S. Co.

July 9, *Johann Friedrich*, German brig, 242, A. H. Kroneke, Newchwang June 19, Beans.—W. & Co.

July 9, *Charity*, British barque, 432, R. K. Taylor, Bangkok June 26, General.

July 9, *Kaiser-i-Hind*, British steamer, 2059, R. Methven, London May 22, Gibraltar, Malta, Suez, Bombay June 28, 9 p.m., Galle, Penang, and Singapore July 4, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

July 9, *Philippine*, for Melbourne.

July 9, *Zephyr*, for Bangkok.

July 9, *Tenaka*, for Yokohama.

July 9, *Esperance*, for Bordeaux.

July 9, *Cheong Hock Kiam*, for Swatow and Amoy.

July 9, *H.M.S. Modeste*, for Yokohama.

Tarant, for Tientsin.

Clara, for Guam.

Ningpo, for Shanghai.

Fuyou, for Shanghai.

Pallas, for Hio.

Shant, for Nagasaki.

See Chew, for Canton.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Kaiser-i-Hind*, for Hongkong: from Southampton, Messrs J. Williams, and R. Pratt; from Brindisi, Miss Martin; from Bombay, Mr. Bhaba and native servant; from Penang, 8 Chinese; from Singapore, Miss Man.—For Amoy: from Penang, 4 Chinese.

Per *Norden*, from Saigon, 33 Chinese.

Per *China*, from San Francisco, &c., 110 Chinese, and 1 European.

Per *Charity*, from Bangkok, 11 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Cheong Hock Kiam*, for Swatow, 120 Chinese; for Amoy, 20 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Danish steamer *Norden* reports: Left Saigon on the 4th inst. at 7 a.m., and had first part fresh monsoon with squalls; thence to port light S.W. and S.E. winds and fine weather to arrival.

The British barque *A. Newton* reports: Calms and variables to New Caledonia, which was passed on the 4th June to westward, crossed the line on 13th East, saw a schooner cruising among the St. David's Islands, across the Sooloo Sea and Celebes light easterly winds, and variable winds across China Sea.

The American steamer *China* reports: Left San Francisco June 2nd at noon. Arrived at Yokohama 28th at 4.30 p.m. Left Yokohama for this port 30th at 5 p.m. Arrived Hongkong July 9th at 6 a.m. Experienced during first part of voyage strong N.W. winds with heavy swell, latter part moderate weather and smooth sea. Weather from Yokohama to this port, light S.E. to Van Diemen's Straits. On 3rd inst. thick rainy boisterous weather, wind increasing from force of 3 to 9 with heavy confused swell. Barometer fell from 30.08 to 29.50, rounded ship to 6 p.m. with head to S.E. for 4 hours to allow center of storm to pass, then stood away on course, barometer raising rapidly to normal height. From then to Turnabout heavy S.E. swell and moderate S.W. winds, from thence to port light S.W. winds and smooth sea. Co's steamer City of Peking sailed for San Francisco 29th June, at 9.30 a.m.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI.—Per S. S. *Amazon*, on Thursday, 10th inst. Registry closes at 6.45 a.m. Mail closes at 7 a.m. Late Letters received from 7.10 to 7.30, with 18 cents Late Fee. Paid Correspondence may then be posted in the moveable box on board the Packet. The Post Office will be open on Thursday morning at 6.30 a.m.

For MACAO AND SHANGHAI.—Per *Ningpo*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—Per *Fuyou*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—Per *Memuir*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst. instead of as previously notified.

For SAIGON.—Per *Pendo*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 12th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOSHOW.—Per *Kwangtung*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 13th inst.

For HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG (with Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi).—Per *Atalanta*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 13th inst.

For PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.—Per *Ocean*, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 17th inst. Private ship rates.

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.

The Australian Contract Packet *Somerset*, will be despatched from Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 12th inst., with Mails for Singapore, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, Kappel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tasmania, New Zealand, Fiji, and Melbourne.

Correspondence cannot be Registered after 4.15 p.m.

The Mails will be closed at 4.30 p.m. Supplementary mail on board with 18 cents late fee till time of departure.

Correspondence for Southern and Western Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Galle.

Hongkong, July 5, 1879. july12

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Khedive*, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 15th inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Brindisi or Southampton; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—The United States Mail Packet *China* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 17th inst., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c. which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry closes.

2.30 p.m. Post-office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay cannot be sent by this route.

Hongkong, July 7, 1879. july17

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Djennah*, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 22nd inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, B. M. Bay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

8 a.m.—*Amazon* leaves for Shanghai.

Noon.—*Memuir* leaves for Sydney, &c.

Noon.—*Ningpo* leaves for Shanghai, &c.

Auction.

Noon.—Sale of Cotton Yarn at Messrs Olyphant & Co.'s Godown.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, July 11.—

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr J. G. Smith's residence, No. 3, Blue Building, Praya East.

Transfer Books of Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited, closed from this date to 25th Instant.

SATURDAY, July 12.—

5 p.m.—*Somerset* leaves for Singapore, &c.

SUNDAY, July 13.—

10 a.m.—*Kwangtung* leaves for Coast Ports.

MONDAY, July 14.—

8 a.m.—*Atalanta* leaves for Hoihow, &c.

9 p.m.—St. John Lodge, No. 618 S.C., Regular Meeting.

9 p.m.—Dramatic Performance at the Garrison Theatre.

TUESDAY, July 15.—

Colwyn leaves for San Francisco.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Goods per *Amazon* undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

9 p.m.—Dramatic Performance at the Garrison Theatre.

THURSDAY, July 17.—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

3 p.m.—*Ocean* leaves for Port Darwin, Cooktown, &c.

Transfer Books of the China Traders' Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 31st Instant, inclusive.

TUESDAY, July 22.—

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, July 25.—

3.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. K. Hotel Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel.

THURSDAY, July 31.—

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., at the Head Office, Hongkong.

FRIDAY, August 1.—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 1879.

It is a fact worth noting, in view of the cases decided some time ago before the Police Magistrate here, that the Excise Ordinance of the Straits Settlements (No. 4 of 1870) is much more accurate than our Opium Ordinance in expressing the article dealt with. The Straits Ordinance deals with "the exclusive right of making or preparing Chandoo or Opium Dross, and of selling and of retailing Chandoo or Opium Dross, or any chest." This is clear and intelligently comprehensive. Again, in the interpretation clause of the Straits Ordinance, the following explanations are given:—"Opium" shall mean any kind of Opium not prepared for smoking, chewing or eating; "Chandoo" shall mean any preparation of Opium, or any preparation in which Opium forms an ingredient, used for smoking, chewing or eating; "Opium-Dross" shall mean Chandoo Dross; "Chandoo Dross" shall mean the refuse of Chandoo already used for smoking and re-prepared for use. There can be no mistake about a detailed definition like the above. On the other hand, what do we find in the Hongkong bill? In the Hongkong Ordinance (No. 2 of 1878) the expression "prepared Opium" is invariably used throughout; hence the exception sometimes taken by legal gentlemen to the right of the bench to deal with cases where Opium Dross only is re-bolled. Section II. speaks of "the sole privilege of bolting and preparing Opium, and of selling and retailing within the said Colony, or the waters thereof, Opium so boiled or prepared." In Section V. any unlicensed person is forbidden to "boil or in any way to prepare Opium." Unless some known rule exists which includes Dross under the head of "Opium," or some other stipulation governs the case of Dross dealers, it seems to us that the ambiguity of the Ordinance, unlike that of Singapore, opens the door to discussion and litigation. A case of appeal will, we hear, shortly be tried bearing on this point.

It would seem as if the Tung Wah Hospital Committee are not prepared to accept Mr. Hennessy's views, as expressed in the Spirit Farm Ordinance, without considerable modification, or at least without plainly recording their dissent. From the rough translation we published on Monday evening of the conclusions arrived at in public meeting by the Chinese assembled in the Tung Wah on Sunday, it would be seen that the natives dread interference with their samshoo trade. As a respectable native gentleman put it the other day, the Chinese don't like to be interfered with; they have a great aversion to "humbug" of trade—meaning outside annoyances to their trade. They had deserved the mainland, to avoid the terrible squeezes which hamper trade there, to come to Hongkong; and every fresh restriction is regarded as an assimilation to Chinese official "humbugging." Of course, this has all been said before—was very clearly expressed when the Stamp Ordinance was being considered; but it is significant as coming from the Chinese who were represented as being so uncompromisingly in favour of Mr. Hennessy's policy. The meeting seems to have taken 25 cents per gallon as the tax likely to be levied upon all kinds of samshoo, and upon this hangs the objection taken on behalf of the poor hawkers who take a "little o' summat" at supper time. It appears that samshoo ranges in price from about 20 cents per gallon to say 40 cents; and the Chinese naturally say that it would be unfair to tax the poor man's gallon so as to more than double its cost, while the tipple of those who are well-to-do is saddled with an increase in price of only about 50 or 60 per cent. This, however, is a matter which might be disposed of by the adoption of an *ad valorem* duty, such as we have before suggested. The native mind does not seem to be able to appreciate Mr. Hennessy's policy of "robbing Peter to pay Paul"—of reducing the house tax from 12 to 10 per cent, and then levying a heavy duty upon the poor man's beer (for Chinese samshoo takes the place of beer in a Chinaman's regimen). The misunderstanding on the part of the Chinese, that the private consumer may be called upon to account to the Spirit Farmer for every "peg" he may have consumed, is amusing; but we can assert from inquiries made that the notion is a general one. The erroneous impression appears to have arisen from a misreading of Sections 23 and

a Turkish Dictionary and Grammar. Both the Government of India and literature have great reason therefore to deplore his untimely end.

With regard to the appointment of a successor our contemporary hopes that the Government of India will not again make the terrible mistake of sending a man to replace Mr Shaw at Mandalay who knows nothing of the country, its people or its language. Either Colonel Duncan should be induced to return to his post, or else an officer like Colonel Horace Browne, who knows the people, their manners and their language intimately, sent to fill it.

The *Daily News* correspondent at Madrid announces (May 30th) that, according to the new treaty, Chinamen in the Spanish colonies will enjoy the same treatment as that of citizens of the most favored nations, and the commercial relations of Spain and China will be placed on the same footing.

The *Chicago Journal's* Washington special says, May 31st—

Definite information from General Grant's party is to the effect that he will take the last steamer in June from Japan, which will bring him to San Francisco not far from the 1st of August. After looking around California, the General has decided to spend some time about Oregon and the various posts in that region where he was stationed in his earlier days. As has been already reported, he is also very desirous of making an extended tour in Mexico.

A Paris correspondent discourses in this happy vein with regard to the first meeting of the Congress, which has just been discussing the proposed Panama Canal, and the result of whose labours we have by the French Mail:—

M. Lesseps presided at the opening meeting, and requested the delegates from every nation to put their heads together, and decide in the course of a week which of all the proposed plans—an open way, a canal with locks, or one with a tunnel, was the most practicable. Of the many distinguished personages present, the First Secretary of the Chinese Legation, a mandarin with a crystal button, was most applauded, de Lesseps excepted, whose venerable head seemed rejuvenated at the prospect of marrying the Atlantic and the Pacific. Next was the delegate from Mexico, who had only just arrived; he did not stay even to see his baggage through the customs, but entered an outfitter's shop in the vicinity of the Geographical Society's hotel, bargained at once for a new suit, a barber, and a wash; thus Mr Francisco Garay's fresh appearance after a long voyage was noteworthy. The exhibition of the various plans, all on a uniform scale, is very clear, any coming shareholder can take in the whole matter, dividends included. Opinion has no doubt but the canal is feasible, and that the money will be subscribed. It is on cooie labour that the execution of the work will depend, so California or other western barbarians, having a Chinese question on the arm, can send their Jungs to enjoy the sunshine in Central America.

The *Bangkok Gazette* thinks it would not be amiss were Rangoon to follow the example of the colony of Hongkong and avoid holding Sessions on mail days, especially in a place where the mercantile element abounds.

Our contemporary says:—
On a mail day all offices, whether mercantile or otherwise, are harder worked than on any other days, and a man with his head full of his own business affairs, dragged away from them and forced to sit as a juror, is not likely to give that undivided attention to the cases before him as if he had no cause of distraction. Now at the Sessions held last Thursday there were several mercantile people on the jury who would much rather have been attending to mail work at their offices. They no doubt had to make up for lost time after they left Court, fagged and fatigued as they may have been listening to wearisome evidence. Sacrificing one's time and patience for the public good is doubtless a part of the duty which every citizen owes to the commonwealth; but there is, we think, no necessity to make the task a more burdensome one than is absolutely necessary. Nobody loves to be a jurymen, the duty imposed is both a responsible and irksome one, in some instances entailing a positive pecuniary loss, and the least thereof that we can do for people saddled with the work is to study their convenience as far as is possible.

The *Boston Advertiser*, May 31st, says regarding the California expedition to meet Grant:—

"A full explanation is about being made to show that it is not political, and that few of Grant's intimate friends are interested in the scheme. It originated with J. B. McMillan & Brother, of Chicago. They have obtained railroad terms at little over half rates and will furnish particulars, and this, it is claimed, is all there is in it. The charge that the affair is chiefly a speculation of Horace Porter arises simply from the fact that the Pullman Car Company, with which he has been connected, is to furnish about forty additional cars and run them with the others on the Pacific Roads. The calculation of the managers is that about 4000 will go over to meet Grant."

The *Japan Herald* of 25th ulto, thus refers to the recent disappearance of a foreigner from Yokohama:—

The "talk of the town" for the last two or three days has been the levitating of a well known medical practitioner, who is conjectured to have made his exit from Yokohama (where he has for some years followed his profession) by the last American steamer, to parts unknown, presumably to practise upon new and unsuspecting victims similar frauds to those he has successfully effected here; unless indeed justice should be invoked, and step in to arrest the fugitive and stop his career before more harm be done. We know not, in the absence of judicial process, how many unsuspecting lenders have been, upon one specious pretext or another, swindled out of their money, how many times the absconder's furniture has been pledged to as many different parties at the same time, what number of forgeries he has committed, or how many times a peculiar seal has been illegally used, of which the culprit classically possessed

himself, for purposes of fraud. But the case is sufficiently scandalous to demand from the fugitive's Consul the most prompt, active, and effective measures that the law of extradition and the telegraph place in his hands. The victims of the absconder are entitled to this, and, in the interest of public justice, the responsibility of action rests upon the Consul of the nation of which the defaulter is a subject.

We understand that a preliminary inquiry is being made for the purpose of ascertaining the facts connected with the case of the absconder, and that his Consul is taking the most active measures possible; but there are exceptional difficulties, which may frustrate justice being done. As yet there has been only one formal charge made of swindling.

As an ill-informed contemporary, says the *Japan Gazette*, announced with some show of authority that Mr Hennessey, the Governor of Hongkong, is the only officer of the Queen in these parts entitled to a salute of 17 guns, we think it right to explain that the Governor of Hongkong is entitled to 17 guns, but the Governor of Labuan, a very small possession, is entitled to the same salute, in common with the Governor of the Virgin Islands, the smallest possession, we believe, of the British Crown. The salute is decidedly anomalous; Sir Thomas Wade, who is Minister and Plenipotentiary to the great Empire of China, has 15 guns only; and Sir Harry Parkes, H. M. Minister to Japan, a very old servant of Her Majesty, has the same right. Mr Hennessey's improprieties will no doubt end in some rearrangement of the salute. He is a junior and inferior officer to H. M. Minister, but the question might well have rested in suspension, if the improper and aggressive use of the British ensign had not been made on the recent occasion upon which we commented with natural indignation.

A curious incident happened on board the steamer *Alaska* on her last voyage to China. She had on board about two hundred Chinese, and it happened that one of them died on the passage. According to a regulation of the company, the body must be embalmed and taken to China. A Portuguese stowaway happened to be on board, and he was placed to watch the corpse over night; but either not liking the job of sitting up with a dead Chinaman, or believing in the doctrine of the "Chinese must go," he seized the poor heathen and threw him overboard. So, when the doctor came in the morning to perform his duty of embalming, there was no subject to embalm. He lost his fee, and was probably indignant. The Chinese passengers were also highly indignant, and if they could have caught the Portuguese would most likely have thrown him over after the Chinaman. And the company will probably have a bill to pay on the arrival of the ship in China for non-fulfilment of contract.

PEARS—for the excursion to meet General Grant at San Francisco, we read in the latest advice, are about matured, and J. B. McMillan will issue from his headquarters at the St. Nicholas Hotel, New York, in a few days, a formal announcement. The fare from New York to San Francisco and return will be \$150, and from Chicago and return, \$125. Tickets are good for sixty days. McMillan has the latest advice from General Grant that he will reach San Francisco from the 15th to the 20th of July. So the tickets will be good from July 1st to September 1st, and will be limited to 4000.

It is a sight, writes a London correspondent of the *Newark Advertiser*, to see a Chinese Ambassador at an English play. The representative of the Celestial Empire attended a performance of "The Rivals" at the Haymarket Theatre, recently. Never was there more perfect self-possession. He was more reserved than a Boston audience. Watching every movement on the stage, he yet seemed to have not the slightest emotion excited by the play. The audience roared with laughter at Bob Acres. The Chinaman sat without moving a muscle of his face. Mrs. Malaprop did not even puzzle him. The *apomb* was the most perfect I ever witnessed. The Celestials beat the club swell for self-command. The club swell visibly expresses *ennui*. The Chinaman does not even reveal that he is bored.

(London and China Express, May 30.)

On the 22nd inst. there was launched from the yard of Messrs Caird and Co., for the P. and O. Company, a 3,000 ton steamship. She is the ninth large steamer built for the service by Messrs Caird and Co. within the last four years, and has the advantages of all the improvements in machinery, fitting up, furnishing and general equipment, which the ever increasing demands of trade have developed. Miss Black, daughter of Captain Black, one of the assistant managing directors of the Company, performed the task of naming the steamer the *Ancona*. Her principal dimensions are:—Length of keel and fore-rake, 380 ft.; beam moulded, 38 ft.; and depth moulded, 27 ft. 8 in.; gross measurement about 3,000 tons. She will be fitted with engines of 500-horse power, on the inverted compound principle, supplied with steam from six oval boilers, with three funnels in each, and will be berthed as a barquentine. The accommodation consists of 104 first-class passengers, the state-rooms being ranged round the saloon. For prompt discharge of cargo she has patent steam winches at each hatch, and two cranes in addition at the main hatch. She is fitted with steam steering gear, and has steam windlass for lifting anchors, electric bells, log-house, &c. A sister ship to this one, to be named the *Perona*, will be ready for launching in a few weeks.

Sir Rutherford Alcock, K.C.B., presided on the 25th inst. at the annual meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, held in the theatre of the London University. The Royal (Patron's) Medal for the encouragement of geographical science and discovery was awarded to Colonel N. Prejevalsky, for his successful expeditions in the years 1870-73 to Mongolia and the high plateau of Northern Tibet, in the course of which he made a route-survey of 3,500 miles of previously unexplored country; also for his journey from Kulje to Lob-Nor in 1876-7, and for the admirable way in which he has described these regions and their products in the published narratives of his travels. Count Schouvaloff received the medal on behalf of Colonel Prejevalsky. The founder's medal was awarded to Captain W. J. Gill, R.E., for the important geographical work performed during two long journeys of exploration, voluntarily undertaken, along the northern frontier of Persia in 1873, and in Western China and Tibet in 1877, and especially for the traverse-survey made by him during the

latter journey, and the very complete maps of his route. Sir J. Lintorn A. Simmons received the medal on behalf of Captain Gill, who is now abroad.

The Prince of Wales, accompanied by the Crown Prince of Denmark, the Crown Prince of Sweden and Norway, the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, the Duke of Edinburgh, and other members of the Royal family, held a Queen's birthday Levée at St. James's Palace on the 26th inst. The Diplomatic Circle was attended by many of the Foreign Ministers, but the Russian Ambassador, the Italian Ambassador, the Danish Minister, the Chilean Minister, the Japanese Minister, the Columbian Minister, and the Guatemalan Minister were prevented by unavoidable causes from being present.

Presentations were made to the number of 320, and these included Mr Frederick J. Angier, by Admiral of the Fleet the Hon. Sir Henry Keppel, G.O.B.; Mr Thomas Braddell, Attorney-General of the Straits Settlements, by the Secretary of State for the Colonies; Major-General Alfred Bessano, C.B. (formerly Commander of the Forces at Hongkong), by the Adjutant-General; Mr Robert W. Maxwell, Superintendent of Police, Singapore, by Viscount Monk; and Mr. H. T. Ussher, C.M.G. (formerly of Labuan), on appointment as Governor of the Gold Coast, by the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Canton.

July 8th, 1879.

Our community is regretting the retirement of the Consul for the German Empire Baron Von Boden, who, after about three years holding of that office, left here this morning for your port preparatory to proceeding, via California, to his new post at Havannah. His Countrymen lose the zealous aid of a vigilant and courteous public officer and the community is general the society of an accomplished and amiable gentleman.

We have had a pleasant summer so far, with rather too plentiful a rain-fall the past few weeks and indications of a greater one in portions of the interior by the considerable freshes in the river; the district of Si-ohu, about 40 miles W.S.W. from Canton having suffered much harm therefrom, and the silk crop in Shun-tuk district having also been injured by excessive wet.

Police Intelligence.

(Before C. F. Cragh, Esq.)

Wednesday, July 9th.

Chung Asung, painter, was charged with being in unlawful possession of a white blanket, the property of a soldier belonging to the 27th Regiment. The case having been proved against the prisoner, he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Chan Alung, an unemployed coolie, was charged on the 7th inst. by Ying Along with entering his house for a supposed unlawful purpose. The case having been remanded on the 7th inst. was heard to-day.

The prisoner was further charged with having stolen a waist-belt and rifle sling belonging to a private soldier of the 27th Regiment.

Both cases having been satisfactorily proved against the prisoner, he was sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Yan Afun, was charged with assaulting P. O. No. 34—P. O. Delany stated that he was going up Central Street at 7.15 p.m., and having observed a large crowd at the corner of Vint Street, he proceeded to disperse them. While doing so he saw defendant stop down and pick up a stone which he threw at him, striking him on the right shoulder. Prisoner ran off, and the constable went in pursuit, and succeeded in capturing him in a cook-shop in Queen's Road. After being taken into custody prisoner repeatedly struck the constable on the breast.

(Before the Hon. C. B. Plunket.)

Ho Aming, a hawker, was charged with stealing two pairs of trousers valued at 60 cents, the property of an "old clo" man who had his stall on the Praya, to-day at noon. Complainant who never lost sight of him, and the watchman who met him running hard away and apprehended him, proved the case. Defendant denied the charge and called a brother hawker who knew him at Maseo and swore to seeing him come off the steamer on its arrival the day before yesterday. He (defendant) said this was the first time he had been in Hongkong; but he was an appearance and had a face which were strangely familiar to the police. It is believed now that he only came out of jail this morning after a six weeks' term. He goes there now at all events to suffer hard labour for two months.

In Awing, a chair-coolie, and seventeen others, were charged with obstructing Rosario Street, Ladder street and Bridges Street with their chairs. It being proved, however, that the men stayed in the coolie quarters there, that they removed their chairs every night to the side of the pathway, and that there was no other convenient place for them, they were cautioned and discharged.

James Hawley, seaman, Sailors' Home, was charged with being drunk and refusing to pay chair hire. Usual fine.

A MALICIOUS WATCHMAN.

Chan Achan, a coolie employed by Ow A Leung, Government contractor, Tanney Lane was charged with being out without a light this morning shortly after midnight, and with assaulting the constable in the execution of his duty.

The District Watchman No. 11, who brought the charge, said he found this man standing outside of the door of a house, and asked him where he belonged to, and asked for his pass. He told him to go to his

home if he had one and sleep; if not he would take him to the station. He then said "Mind your own business," and "Don't be saucy, watchman." He (prisoner) then got very angry, and caught hold roughly of his uniform jacket, tearing off a button. Prisoner struck him, and he then took him by force to the Station, he dragged him to No. 7 Station, he had no one to help him. He did not strike the man. The mark on prisoner's hand was caused by his hand being pushed against the door when they were struggling.

The prisoner's story which he gave at first at the Police Station and now repeated under an awning near his master's house. The Constable wakened him up and told him, after he had explained who he was, to go inside; he said he could not knock at the door it rained so hard. The constable then struck him over the head; he seized hold of the truncheon but got another severe blow with it on the hand. He gave the watchman no abuse; he simply said; "Do not strike me, I will go with you without that." He went quietly to the station; he did not strike the watchman.

The Constable on duty gave evidence as to the men making similar statements at the station shortly after midnight this morning. The prisoner had a rather severe wound on his hand, but he did not think it was a case that required to be sent to the hospital. He dressed it with carbolic oil.

The Magistrate discharged the prisoner, and sentenced the watchman to pay a fine of \$2 for malicious prosecution. The man said he had no money to pay the fine. Ordered in default to suffer two weeks' hard labour.

The Court had not risen at 6.30 this evening.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

Our San Francisco files by the P. M. S. S. China, Captain Lochlan, extend to June 2nd. Those items referring to the Cape are interesting, in view of the comments we made the other day on the possible situation.

EUROPEAN ITEMS.

Cape Town, May 14.—Colonel Wood has broken camp at Kamblu and formed a new one at Queen's Kraal, on the White Umvolosi River, in order to better cooperate with Colonel Newdigate. Colonel Crealock is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

Maritzburg, May 14.—There is exciting news from the Tabela frontier, near Helpmakar. On the 11th of May a great battle took place at a point between Thringpost and Sanhwalla. A powerful Zulu chief named Matona, with all his people, numbering some thousands, had resolved to surrender to the British. He was joined by Dabal Manz, Cetwayo's brother, and who commanded the Zulus at Ginghobolo, and the remnant of that army, its chief having kept away from Cetwayo since their defeat, through fear. When nearing Thringpost they were unexpectedly intercepted by a powerful force, supposed to be commanded by Cetwayo, coming from the northward. A fearful conflict ensued, resulting in a great slaughter of the Zulus who wished to surrender, and they were dispersed and driven back. Matona escaped. It is reported that Dabal Manz was killed.

King Cetwayo, elated with his success, and apparently learning that Lord Chelmsford's columns have made a forward movement, has summoned all his followers and taken a strong position at the fork of White Umvolosi, at its junction with the Black Umvolosi. At his back are some of the highest known mountains of Zululand, densely wooded at the base. The country in front is swampy. Here the King evidently awaits the British. Native sources state that he has declared that he will never surrender. He is believed to have collected all his available forces, and no raids into Natal are now feared.

A bridge across the Tabela is now available for light transport.

Col. Pearson, who has been suffering from fever, is better.

Sickness from sunstroke prevails. The Boers in Transvaal are quieting down. Col. Crealock's column has had some skirmishing, with unimportant results.

London, May 30.—The *Standard* has information that the Chilean wooden vessel, the *Cavandonga*, was not sunk in the fight off Iquique, as has been reported. Orders have been telegraphed for the greater part of the British squadron to assemble on the coasts of Chile and Peru.

London, May 30.—A despatch from Cape Town says it is reported that Cetwayo is retreating northward.

London, May 30.—The eruption of Mt. Aetna increases in force. The quantity of ashes thrown out is somewhat less, but the volume of vapor has greatly increased in density. On Wednesday night a number of brilliant balls of fire were thrown to a great height and burst aloft like rockets, emitting a fiery shower. A stream of lava is flowing, apparently in the direction of Randazzo, but its exact line has not yet been verified. During the whole of Wednesday night loud reports like the rolling of artillery were heard.

Rome, May 30.—The latest advices from Randazzo report craters formed on two slopes of Mount Etna, and that a double eruption is proceeding. The *Acid Reale* and Catania road is blocked, and considerable damage has been done.

Catania, May 30.—Fresh craters have opened on Mount Etna, endangering Bianca Villa, Randazzo and Castiglione. Clouds of ashes overhang Piedmont, which is in almost total darkness.

London, May 30.—The Chilean Minister has received a telegram stating that the Chilean ship-of-war *Esmeralda* became disabled, and her Captain fired the magazine to prevent her falling into the hands of the enemy.

London, May 31.—The Portuguese Cabinet has resigned, in consequence of internal dissension, and Anselmo J. E. Braamcamp, Councillor of State and progressist Leader, has been invited to form a new Ministry.

Paris, May 31.—A committee of the Chamber has decided in favor of the prosecution of Cassagnac.

Catania, May 31.—Advices are received stating that numerous fresh fissures have opened on Mount Etna. The flood of lava is now very extensive and streaming toward the river Alcantara, devastating the village of Abio. A long continuance of the eruption is probable.

London, May 31.—Wm. Henry Furchard, who has been connected with Baron Grant

in floating the disastrous Lisbon Tramway Company, has failed. Liabilities, \$300,000. Edwin Clark, another member of the firm, failed in the early part of last month for \$760,000.

Antwerp, May 31.—Bismarck's note inviting the cities of Hamburg and Bremen to surrender their privileges as free ports, and to associate themselves with the Imperial fiscal system, is couched in such terms as to leave no choice between submission and the certainty of compulsion.

London, June 1.—A correspondent at Alexandria reports that four French subjects have been pelted and otherwise maltreated by soldiers near Cairo.

London, June 1.—A despatch from Natal, May 12th, says: An alteration of plans is now under consideration, according to which the main advance will be from the Lower Tugela as the base of a flying column, creating a diversion on the northwestern flank.

Lisbon, June 1.—It is announced that the late Ministry, before its retirement, concluded a treaty with Great Britain looking to the suppression of the slave trade, the development of commerce and the civilization of Africa. The treaty provides for the freedom of commerce and navigation between adjoining British and Portuguese colonies, declares the Zambezi river free to the commerce of the world, and grants Great Britain facilities for the passage of troops and munitions of war across Portuguese territory to South Africa.

THE RECEPTION OF FOREIGN GUESTS.

(Abridged from the *Mainichi Shimbun*.)
If we receive visits from distinguished foreigners attracted by the reports of the progress we are making, it redounds greatly to the credit of Japan and is worthy of particular notice. Whatever may be the cause of these visits, there can be no doubt that the visitors wish to ascertain for themselves the actual state of the country, and we should therefore treat them with every consideration and enable them to see Japan as it really is. Now what are the principal matters that foreign visitors wish to know about Japan? Their own observation of our manners and customs, the system of our Government, the state of our Army and Navy, our progress in the arts and sciences, the development of our natural resources, etc. would be sufficient to enable them to judge of the state of this country and what kind of relations with us should be maintained. If our visitors find that in all these matters we have made, and are still making, rapid progress, they will treat us with respect, and esteem, and as a civilized power; but if we are found to be backward they will treat us with very slight consideration and unworthy of notice.

The former is the treatment to which an enlightened nation is entitled to, while the latter is usually accorded to an uncivilized country. To be justly regarded as civilized is greatly to our advantage, but to be justly treated as uncivilized is very disadvantageous to us. Now as the reputation of this country depends entirely upon the reports of these visitors, should we not be careful and extend to them the greatest hospitality. Compared with the leading nations in Europe our civilization may be far behind, but we are not second to any of the Asiatic countries, whether as regards our government, land and marine forces, arts, sciences, industries or natural resources. But although such visitors as the German Prince and Mr Reed may well be termed "distinguished guests" to the Government, and the Ministers, yet they are not of as great importance to the people of Japan generally as the Governor of Hongkong, because our situation as regards China is exactly similar to that of England with France, and as Hongkong is the most important place on our way to the West, the state of trade there must always have an important effect upon this country. Now Mr Hennessey who is the Governor of the flourishing English colony of Hongkong is in Japan on a visit, our countrymen should treat him hospitably and respectfully and endeavour to gain his kindly regard. Should we desire to extend our commerce to the countries lying to the west of China, we must establish friendly relations with the people of Hongkong and Shanghai, and in order to become friendly with these people, we must establish confidence in our products and coinage, and as one means to so desirable an end we must exhibit to our visitors the actual state of our affairs.

CHINESE ITEMS FROM AMERICA.

The following items are from the New York letter, (May 10) of the *London and China Express*:—

The Chinese question has not again loomed up in the proceedings of Congress, which is concerned with political flourishing of another order. The duties of the Chinese Legation at Washington must just now be exceedingly light. Nothing will be heard of negotiations on Chinese immigration until the return of the Chinese Ambassador. How far the exodus of the blacks from the South will proceed is not as yet determinable; the planters still indulge expectations of retaining the mass of coloured labourers. Many of the "California Chinese" who have arrived in New York have a highly intelligent appearance. The Chinese missionary of Mott-street is in prison on the charge of appropriating the porcelain jars and jewellery of one of his American benefactors. Although many of these immigrants are understood to be expert mechanics, they do not appear to take to mechanical occupations. Their presence is apparently unheeded by the multitudinous population of this city.

The new California Constitution, which virtually ostracizes the Chinese, will not take effect until January next. Laws have been compared to fishermen's nets, and certainly abundant loopholes are being discovered in the instrument. Some of the provisions bearing on the Chinese are in direct collision with the United States Constitution. It is certain that so far from being run out of the country, the mass of the Chinese will remain, and with their economical habits, lay aside money. If corporations organized under the laws of the State cannot employ them, the contractors for these can; besides, many of the corporate bodies will now be reorganized in other States to escape taxation, and so will be free to engage Chinese directly.

A curious fact relative to the custom of Chinamen digging up the bones of their countrymen and sending them to China, has come to light. It appears that it is not simply a religious duty that prevails, but that through contracted obligations with the parties or companies at whose instance they come, they are to be returned to China "alive or dead." For every Chinaman not so returned, unless having fulfilled his

contract time, he chooses to remain, three times the amount of the contract money is to be forfeited by the forwarding company on party to the relatives of the Chinaman or to the Government, but in case of death the contract is fulfilled by importing his bones. The Nevada Legislature, at its last sessions, passed a law against the disinterment of bodies, in order to stop the Chinese custom. The Nevada Chinese, to evade the law, now bury boneless corpses, the bones being extracted beforehand by skillful surgical operators, after the burning of aromatic cress paper and the pouring of three full teacups of sanctified rice water over the body and around the room. To make up for the extracted bones the clothes of the deceased are stuffed into the apertures. The bones are then boiled to remove adhering flesh, baked in an oven, and packed for shipment.

Japanese residents here are not at all pleased with the manner in which the Treasury Department is in the habit of classing China and Japan together in the official documents, as if these two widely different nations were united and responsible for each other. The statistical officers of the Treasury Department never furnish any information with regard to either China or Japan alone, and the individuality of the two countries is entirely lost in their quarterly returns. Some of the newspapers, following this example, invariably group news of these countries under the dual heading.

The United States Consul at Newchwang, Mr Frederick Baurdine, says that the utter absence in Korea of the minor articles of such western manufactures (matches, for instance) as are now indispensable to millions of the Chinese, lead to the hope that a profitable trade may be conducted with that country. He recommends that American merchants engaged in the shipping of United States cotton manufactures to China, "rather than sit down quietly at Shanghai, adding their importations with the heavy expense of landing, re-shipping, a second freightage, and marine insurance, should ship direct from New York to Newchwang."

Quotations.

HONGKONG, July 9, 1879.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash, \$540
" Old " cash, ...
" New Benares, cash, 502½
" Old " cash, ...
" New Malwa, credit, 730
" Allowance Tael, 16
" Old Malwa, credit, 735
" Allowance Tael, 16

Exchange.

Bank, Wire, ... 3/9
" Demand, ... 3/9½
" 30 days' sight, ... 3/9½
" 4 months' sight, ... 3/9½
Credits, 4 ... 3/10½
Documentary, 4 months' sight, 3/10½
India, Wire, ... 22½
" Demand, ... 22½
Shanghai, demand, ... 73½
" 60 days' sight, ... 74½
Gold Leaf, 99½ fine ... 26/40
Sovereigns, ... 5.19

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 50 % prem.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,300
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,600
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,250
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 730
Chinese Insurance Co., \$290
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$740
China Fire Ins. Co., \$175
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 5 % prem.
H.K. C. & M. S.-boat Co., \$10 dis.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 13
China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tls. 90
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$85
China Sugar Refining Co., \$142½
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, nominal.
Do. of 1877, do.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, July 9, 1879.

BAROMETRE.—9 A.M. ... 29.900
Do. 1 P.M. ... 29.850
Do. 4 P.M. ... 29.800
THERMOMETER.—9 A.M. ... 86
Do. 1 P.M. ... 84
Do. 4 P.M. ... 84
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 83
Do. Do. 1 P.M. 80
Do. Do. 4 P.M. 80
Do. Maximum ... 86
Do. Minimum over night 81

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

Left.	Name.	From.
Feb.	23, Grossfurt Constantine,	Hamburg
Mar.	14, John A. Briggs,	Cardiff
27, Agnes Muir,	London	
28, Adam M. Simpson,	Cardiff	
Apr.	8, Leon,	Liverpool
20, Spica,	Cardiff	
21, Werre,	London	
26, Triton,	Hamburg	
28, Twilight,	New York	
27, Homewood,	Penarth	
May.	2, Alex. Yeats,	Cardiff
6, Alexander,	Penarth	
11, Southern Cross,	New York	
12, Alex. Newton,	Newcastle (N.S.W.)	
13, Glamorganshire,	Cardiff	
20, Menelaus (s.),	Liverpool	
22, Adolph,	Hamburg	
23, Celtic Monarch (s.)	London	

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.
At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.

Glenlyon. Celtic Monarch.

Fidburgh. Sun

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co.,
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER
MANUFACTURERS,
AND
JEWELLERS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS
AND BOOKS.
46, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, June 20, 1879. jy20

NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Section, about 64 miles, of the Company's GUTZLAF NAGASAKI CABLE has been RE-LAID from the South to the North of the PARKER, SADDLES and BARREN ISLANDS in a curve from GUTZLAF to the NORTH SADDLE, running along KELLOT, CHESNEY and SIDE SADDLE, about 2 miles distant, and from the NORTH SADDLES LIGHT, bearing South, 1 mile distant, in an E. by S. direction about 31 miles, passing the BARREN ISLANDS until these bear W. 2 N. distance 6 miles, when the Cable is again spliced into the old Line running in a straight line about E. N. E. till midway between PALLAS ROCK and MEACOMA (Ases Bars) on the coast of Japan.

GEORGE J. HELLAND,
General Agent.

GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH
COMPANY.
HEAD OFFICE,
Shanghai, June 20, 1879. jy20

TAKASIMA MINE.

NOTICE.

MR. NAKAHARA KUNINOZUKE has been appointed my Sole AGENT for the sale of all COAL produced from the TAKASIMA MINE, and all Purchases of such Coal must be made through him and his representatives on and after the 16th instant.

GOTO SHOJIRO.

Nagasaki, June 13, 1879.

ON and After the 16th instant, my Representatives for the SALE of all COAL produced from the Takasima Mines will be

At Nagasaki,

MR. RYLE HOLME.

At China Ports,

Hongkong and Elsewhere,
Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Or their Agents.

NAKAHARA KUNINOZUKE.

Nagasaki, June 13, 1879.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving Hongkong on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

To Let.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS AT WANGHAI.
For Particulars, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, July 8, 1879. jy22

TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, formerly known as the "Blue Houses," Praya East—A GROUND FLOOR and A FIRST FLOOR, either separately or together; Also, Top Floor of No. 3, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.
Apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, June 3, 1879.

TO LET.

(On Peddar's Wharf.)

OFFICES, fronting the Harbour, and GODOWNS; with possession from the 1st of July next.

Apply to

G. R. LAMBERT.

Hongkong, June 14, 1879.

TO LET.

HOUSES—No. 9, ZETLAND STREET, and No. 7, PEDDAR'S HILL.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, April 29, 1879.

TO LET.

OFFICES in CLUB CHAMBERS, Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

"ROSE VILLAS"—FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED.

WITH Large TENNIS LAWN.
Apply to
SHARP & DANBY,
No. 6, Queen's Road Central,
late Messrs E. D. SASSOON & Co.
Hongkong, May 10, 1879.

TO LET.

MACHINE HOUSE—WEST.
SECOND FLOOR and a GODOWN.
OFFICES in Queen's Road, now under the occupation of Messrs WILSON & BIRD, and Messrs DAVIS & Co.

Apply to
E. B. BELLIOS.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

Mails.



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON (Direct);
BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship
KHEDIVE, Captain J. D. STEWARD, will
leave this on TUESDAY, the 15th July, at
Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. MEYER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, July 1, 1879. jy15

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CHINA
will be despatched for San Francisco,
via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 17th
instant, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and
Freight, for Japan, the United States, and
Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic Lines of Steamers.
On Through PASSAGES TO EUROPE,
A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to
OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY,
AND MEMBERS of the CIVIL and
CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMISS-
ION.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m., the 16th instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, July 5, 1879. jy17

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. OCEANIC will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on FRIDAY, August 1st, 1879, at 3 p.m.,
taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan,
the United States, Mexico, Central and
South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 31st July. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
sage Tickets.
Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Offices addressed to the Collector of Cus-
toms, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, July 8, 1879. au1

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CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I
and II, A to M, with Introduction. Royal
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Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS
AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LAY, CRAWFORD
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Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

Insurances.

SWISS LLOYD
TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY
OF WINTERTHUR.

INSURANCES granted on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World.
MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, June 8, 1879. jy20

SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE
COMPANY.
FIRE AND LIFE.

INSURANCES against FIRE granted at
Current Rates. Considerable Reduc-
tion in Premium for LIFE Insurance in
China.

MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, June 2, 1879. jy20

Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit,
are distributed annually to Contributors
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contrib-
uted by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,

Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling
of which is paid up £ 100,000
Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000
Annual Income £ 250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai,
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
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Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
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NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHRIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the
Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Amazona	5	c Lormier	Foh. str.	2103	July 8	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-morrow
Atalanta	4	d Petersen	Ger. str.	782	July 5	Meyer & Co.	Holbow & Halphong	18th inst.
Bombay	2	b	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong		
Charlton	5	c Johnson	Brit. str.	786	July 8	Chinese		
China	6	c Alderton	Brit. str.	1036	June 27	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
China	5	c Laachan	Amer. str.	3836	July 9	P. M. S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F. also	17th, 3 p.m.
Danube	3	b Clanchy	Brit. str.	551	July 6	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	Tug Flying
Fame	6	b Stopani	Brit. str.	117		H. K. & W'poa Dock Co.		
Fuyow	4	b Crood	Ohl. str.	920	July 9	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Japan	5	c Gardner	Brit. str.	1856	July 9	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Singapore, &c.	
Kiangchow	2	b Goggia	Brit. str.	365	May 27	Kwok Acheong		
Kwangtung	a	d S. Ashton	Brit. str.	675	July 8	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	18th inst.
Manmure	4	c Darko	Brit. str.	2000	July 8	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	To-morrow
Ningpo	4	c Cass	Brit. str.	761	July 9	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Norden	3	b Boysen	Dan. str.	778	July 8	Stemssen & Co.		
Norna	2	L Love	Brit. str.	606	May 31	Kwok Acheong		
Ocean	7	c Webber	Brit. str.	800	July 6	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Australian Ports	17th inst.
Penodo	5	c Cain	Brit. str.	652	June 28	Melchers & Co.	Salgon	12th inst.
Scotland	4	c Atkinson	Brit. str.	1190	July 8	Russell & Co.		
Sea Gull	3	b Haydon	Amer. str.	43	Mar. 24	China Traders Insurance Co.		
Venice	6	b Rhode	Brit. str.	1271	July 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	K'loon Dock
Washi	5	b Hunter	Brit. str.	265	June 25	Landstein & Co.		
Zephyr	4	b Reuer	Brit. str.			Russell & Co.		
Sailing Vessels								
A. Newton	3	b Newton	Brit. bge.	308	July 9	O. & O. S. S. Co.		
Ann Adamson	4	b Robertson	Brit. bge.	464	June 26	Kwong Him Woo		
Auguste	4	b Lange	Dutch sh.	1308	June 17	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Blenheim	2	b Garner	Brit. bge.	574	June 8	Melchers & Co.	Manila	
Candace	3	b Candler	Brit. sm. sh.	263	July 5	Chinese		
Canton	1	c Knudsen	Nam. sh.	779	June 8	Chinese		
Cella	7	c Drew	Brit. sm. sh.	326	July 5	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		
Channel Queen	2	c Lecheur	Brit. bge.	609	May 24	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	London	
Charity	3	k Taylor	Brit. bge.	432	July 9	Captain		
Chasca	4	c Washburn	Amer. bge.	628	June 19	Russell & Co.	New York	
Clara	7	c Cutter	Brit. sh.	987	May 25	Vogel & Co.		
Olara Babuyan	2	c Polson	Brit. bge.	558	June 8	Borneo Co., Limited		
Colwyn	4	c Bulman	Brit. bge.	1160	May 31	Vogel & Co.	San Francisco	
Edward Barrow	8	c Rich	Brit. bge.	958	June 28	Captain		
Exelsior	7	c Eddy	Amer. bge.	593	July 6	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Fabius	3	c Reeves	Slam. sh.	650	June 8	Chinese		
Fri-drich	2	b Barthalsen	Ger. sm. sh.	295	July 6	Wieler & Co.		
G. O. Trufant	7	c Thomas	Brit. sh.	1529	June 11	Messageries Maritimes		
Gauntlet	4	c Lucas	Brit. bge.	668	May 17	Vogel & Co.	London	
Goliath	2	c Dentzau	Slam. bge.	542	June 8	Captain		
Helene	4	b Volguarden	Ger. bge.	872	June 28	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
Highlander	4	b Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Irene	4	c Yates	Amer. sch.	481	May 16	Russell & Co.		
Johann Friedrich	3	b Kroncke	Ger. bg.	242	July 9	Wieler & Co.		
Johann Smidt	3	b Bosche	Ger. bge.	438	June 28	Melchers & Co.		
John C. Munro	1	b Summers	Brit. bge.	612	June 23	Adamson, Bell & Co.		K'loon Dock
Lucky	2	c Soderstrom	Slam. bge.	424	June 9	Chinese		
Mangrothe	3	b Thufen	Ger. bge.	387	July 6	Wieler & Co.		
Marquis of Argyll	3	c McKeon	Brit. bge.	500	June 11	Rozario & Co.		
Miriam	4	c Parker	Amer. bge.	598	June 8	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Siogo	
Monte Rosa	7	c Carter	Amer. sh.	1313	June 15	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Montlara	3	b Schmieders	Ger. sch.	78	July 5	Stemssen & Co.		
Moses B. Tower	4	k Hall	Am. sm. sh.	637	June 14	Rozario & Co.	Yokohama	K'loon Dock
N. N.		c Duydenboot	Dut. sm. sh.	176	June 17	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Nettle Merryman	2	c Leslie	Brit. bge.	595	June 27	Chinese		
Norseman	2	c Hellstrom	Slam. sh.	717	June 8	Chinese		
Pallas	7	b Ballehr	Ger. bge.	421	June 8	Stemssen & Co.		
Prince Arthur	4	c Willis	Brit. bge.	293	June 8	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Sourabaya & Batavia	
R. M. Hayward	4	k Doane	Am. sm. sh.	605	June 28	Meyer & Co.		
Rapier	1	c Steinbring	Slam. bge.	429	June 8	Chinese		
Rideman	3	b Scott	Brit. bge.	740	June 19	Order		
Siamese Crown	1	c Jarek	Slam. sh.	589	June 23	Chinese		
South American	4	c Knowles	Amer. sh.	1762	June 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Stant	3	c Aacheong	Norw. bge.	580	June 8	Stemssen & Co.	Nagasaki	
Sumatra	3	b Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.		
Tai Lee	3	b Stehr	Ger. bge.	256	July 6	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Tartar	2	k Kamena	Ger. bg.	256	July 4	Melchers & Co.	Hientsin	Cleared
Thoon Kramom	1	c Vorrath	Slam. bge.	474	June 28	Stemssen & Co.		
Vale of Doon	1	b Lightbody	Brit. bge.	689	June 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Bangkok	
Vigilant	4	c Ross	Amer. sh.	1800	July 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.		P. & O. Wh.
William Phillips	4	b Healy	Am. bktns.	592	July 5	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Woden	7	c Meyer	Ger. bge.	489	June 28	Wieler & Co.	Foochow	
WHEAMPOA								
Charité		Gantier	Foh. bge.	256	July 6	Carlowitz & Co.		
H. Upmann		Weber	Ger. bge.	426	July 9	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Hieronimus		Uplance	Ger. bge.	426	July 1	Wieler & Co.	Chefoo	
Iphigenia		Green	Ger. bge.		June 30	Captain	Honolulu	
Ta Lee		Hoffmann	Ger. bge.	350	July 7	Stemssen & Co.		